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A Christmas To Remember



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Hexcellent Greetings

**No matter how hard I tried be
you, or whatever happened
to me of what I been through.
I promise I always remember
who I truly am and how
much I love you, too.**

~Apple White





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This is my first book I had ever written for the first time, and this is for my family and friends who loved me so much, even though I do have autism.

And for those who are TRUE fans of Ever After High will be so thrilled to hear this story, as well as to be reading it.

This book is also for my little niece and cousins.

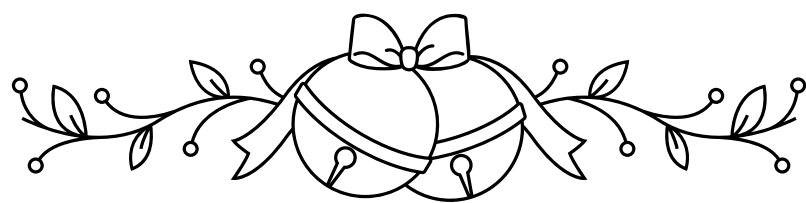
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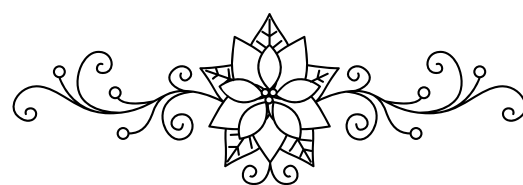
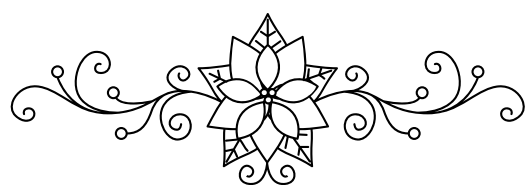
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CHAPTER 1

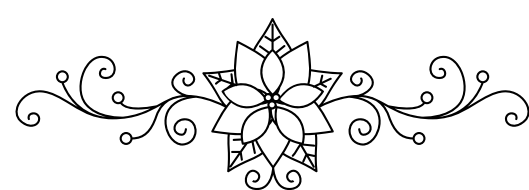
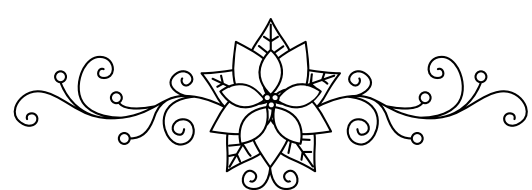
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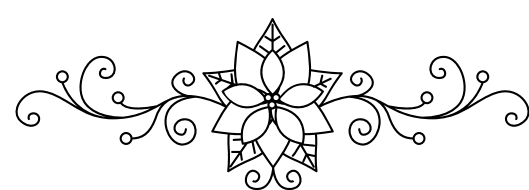
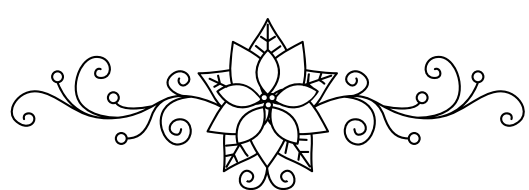
It was a crystal clear December morning at Ever After High, a boarding school where the sons and daughters of famous fairy tale characters who attended there as students are generally divided between two groups. One group of students are the "Royals" who are following their parents' footsteps, like Apple White, daughter of Snow White and their natural-born leader. The other group of students who are the "Rebels" who wanted to rewrite their own destinies, like Raven Queen, daughter of the Evil Queen and their leader of the Rebel movement. And this year, they are all grown up from teenagers to young adults. Well almost adults definitely, but they still got another few years of their attendance until their graduation.



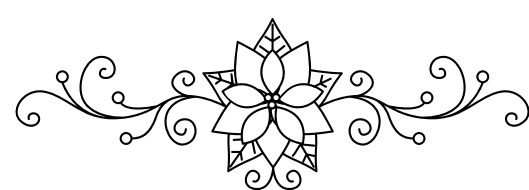
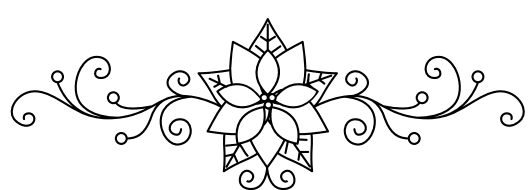
One winter morning on December 14th, they were all fast asleep in their beds as a pair of roommates in one dorm room each of their own, all had a dream of a perfect Christmas they will celebrate this year. Then all of the sudden, their MirrorPhone alarms rang to let them know that it's 7 AM and soon they all woke up feeling very hexcited, because today is an hexciting day. It is the day where all the students get to meet a very special guest coming to Ever After High to give her a warm welcome, her name is Schicksal Claus, daughter of Santa Claus so they will receive an early gift each this year. So they all got up, dressed into their modern outfits and headed towards the Castleteria all singing their hearts out to the original anthem of Ever After High with harmony and joy until breakfast has been served as the most important meal to brighten up their day. Soon they were just about to enjoy their breakfast when they noticed Apple is the



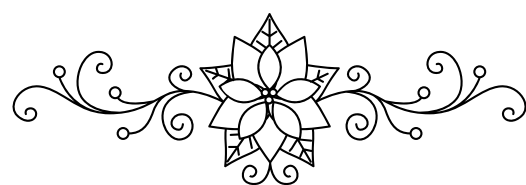
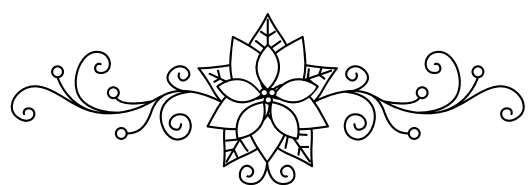
only Royal student who is still humming and shimmying with joy and keeps her spirit inside her heart, knowing that she is the next Snow White as well as the future queen with everything she achieved to succeed her future. Raven and the other students can all see her being cheerful, but they seemed puzzled about why she is still swaying at the table. "Apple," Raven asked. "Are you feeling alright? You look as if you're getting cursed away there." "Oh no," Apple replied. "I am so hexcited to meet Schicksal Claus, daughter of Santa Claus who's coming to give us early presents at our school this year! Besides, who knew that Santa, as the king of the North Pole that we know would ever had a daughter with a name that has the same meaning to us Royals and Rebels about following our parents' footsteps?" The Royals already knew about that fact, but the Rebels didn't. "Well how nice is that to hear." Raven chuckled. "Ornament to say 'naughty to say'."



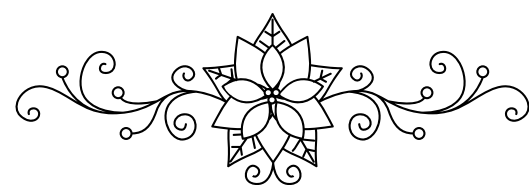
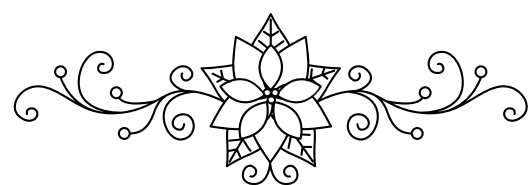
The Rebels giggled with joy and agreement to Raven's remarkable joke. But Apple didn't find it funny at all, not even enough and the Royals couldn't understand what that joke really meant. "You get it?" Raven continued. "Ornament, I meant. Haha!" "Oh Raven," Said Madeline Hatter. "That's a good one! I could do something like that for a yuletide stand-up." "Well, same here." Replied Briar Beauty. "But I am much more of a diva if you guys know hexactly what I mean. After all, we Royals do have our destinies to follow, while you Rebels do what ever it takes to choose your destinies whatever after you want." All students knew that part of their conflict already, but agreed. "Oh yes," Agreed Apple. But then, she had a cheeky idea for a festive tease on the Rebels by noticing her plate full of holiday seasonal pancakes. "We'll vote on the best served breakfast between my dish and Raven's dish! Shall we roomie?" And Raven did accepted this



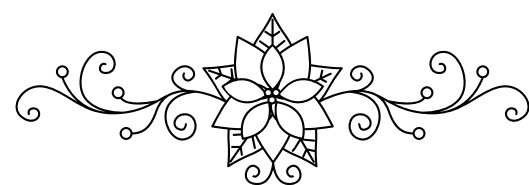
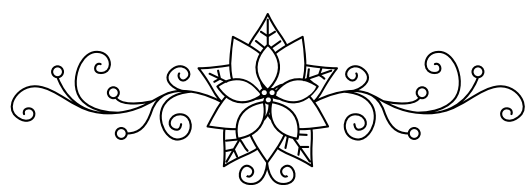
challenge and she and Apple both come face-to-face with each others' own breakfast each and the students must decide which one is the best and a lot more Christmassy, which has been revealed that they all put theirs thumbs up for Apple's Christmas angel pancakes and then placed their thumbs down for Raven's favorite breakfast. An almond butter oatmeal porridge with caramelized bananas and walnuts, which she enjoyed it most. "Hooray!" Apple Cheered. "We won the bet!" But Raven didn't cheered, she is now becoming jealous and so were the Rebels. So jealous she shouted out... "Oh no you didn't!" "Oh yes we did!" Cried Apple. And all the students repeated after them. "Oh no you didn't!" Went the Rebels. "Oh yes we did!" Went the Royals, and they all repeated their phrases one last time when suddenly, a voice boomed out loud and grabbed their attention. "SILENCE!" It was the headmaster of the whole school, Milton Grimm



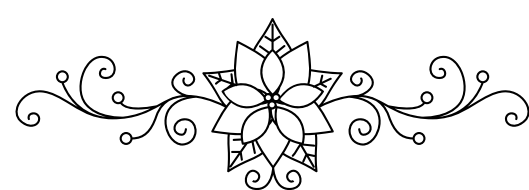
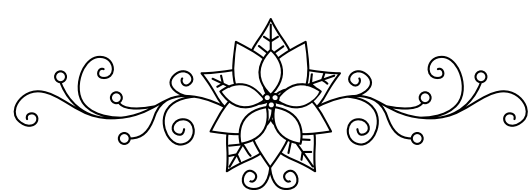
and he wasn't fairy pleased in the way the students were all acting like children once again since their first year at Ever After High. "Now," He called in a much lower tone of his voice. "May I have all your attention please?" And all the students around at the Castleteria did turn their attention to the headmaster's important announcement for them as he scolded. "I do not tolerate this sort of behavior from you all, especially as you're all grown-ups now, NOT children anymore. And I also understand that you're all looking forward for wonderful time of this year, but as young adults you all must act mature and give those who are new to Ever After High a fairy big welcome and a whole lot of respect for them. Do you all understand?" "Yes Headmaster Grimm". Said all the students, feeling sorry for themselves. "Fairy well," The headmaster continued. "Now I have other important news to say, but this one may sound disappointing to you all



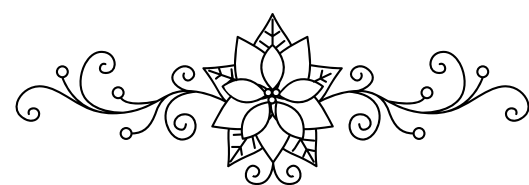
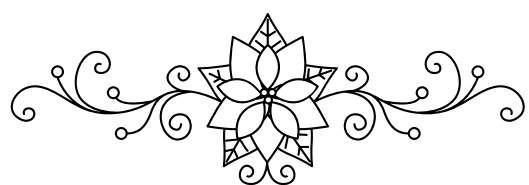
and you will not going to like this at all." The students became a lot worried as they were about to hear the bad news from the headmaster as he sadly announced it. "I am fairy sorry to inform you all that the princess of the North Pole, who's visit to the entire school this year has been cancelled." All the students gasped in a state of shock to hear that news and questioned to Headmaster Grimm about why Schicksal's visit to Ever After High is cancelled. "Well everyone," He continued. "It's not like you all had been fairy naughty, which I know you're all trying to be on your best behavior indeed. But for some reason, I have heard some strange rumor that there's a 'Clause of Concern'. Which means that there have been some serious problems at the North Pole and we cannot be so sure what they are." The students were all quite puzzled about all of this information that got them all questioning to themselves about what happened at the North Pole.



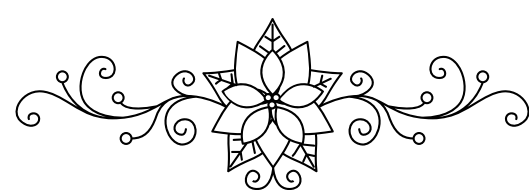
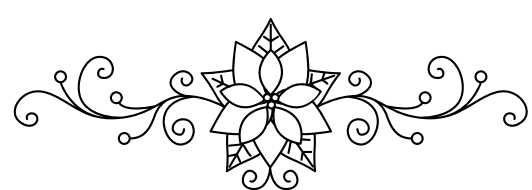
They all felt so sad that Schicksal Claus won't be coming to give them early gifts this year for some reasons, until the headmaster made his final statement to the students. "Never mind everyone. Perhaps it's best to say that I will have to make other arrangements for us to have a wonderful Christmas time, if I could come up with the best one that is. Anyway, if you all excuse me..." Then his last words of what he is just going to say gave the students a shock of their lives. "I have a daughter I need to talk to." The students were startled once more in an alarming way. "A what?" Squeaked Apple. "A who?" Asked Raven. "A daughter?!" Everyone hexclaimed. And the headmaster became stunned, as if anyone has found out his own secret he kept from them to hear. "Oh dear!" He muted. "My mistake, I mean... a private student that I need to talk to. So... carry on and eat your breakfast if you please. We have a rather busy ahead of us!" And as soon as the headmaster left the



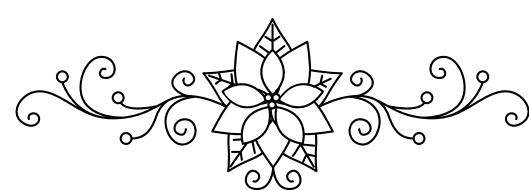
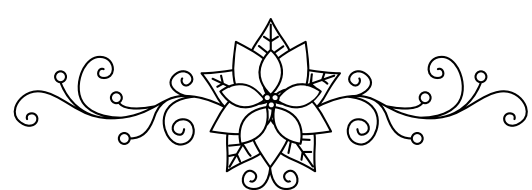
entire Castleteria pretending that no one knew he had a daughter of his own, the Royals and the Rebels are finishing off their breakfast. When they had finished their most important meal of the day, they all began to wonder what they will all be doing for the rest of the cold winter day rather than getting early gifts this year, especially Apple. As she began to start her day at Ever After High, she noticed that Hunter Huntsman and Ashlynn Ella are together as friendship, beginning to help each other out for the holidays. But they are not the only couple in the whole school that Apple can see, she then noticed Raven and Dexter Charming are also together in a romantic time of their own, so is his older brother, Daring and Rosabella Beauty as a third couple and the last couple are Alistair Wonderland and Bunny Blanc. After seeing all four of them starting their day so well, Apple remembered the time when she and Daring used to hang out together in a relationship of their own



until they have to split up just to be normal friends for now after they realized they are not "destined" for each other. Now she is determined to find her truly destined fair prince and future king of her own to become like her mother. "Hey, Apple." Said Blondie Lockes in a cheerful mood. "You seemed to be upset. Is something wrong?" "Well, yes, Blondie." Apple replied. "You see, I'm just a little disappointed of what Headmaster Grimm has told us that Schicksal Claus isn't coming this year and we don't see a good reason for it." "I know how that feels." Murmured Blondie. "Well, I best be off to make a great report. Bye!" After Blondie went off, Apple was by herself once again. Sadly, she opened her new bag to check everything she need for her classes to attend to until she finds a small picture frame of her when she was a child, with her mother, Snow White and her father, King Ferdinand, the king who was the most beloved member of the royal family they ever had in their good old days.

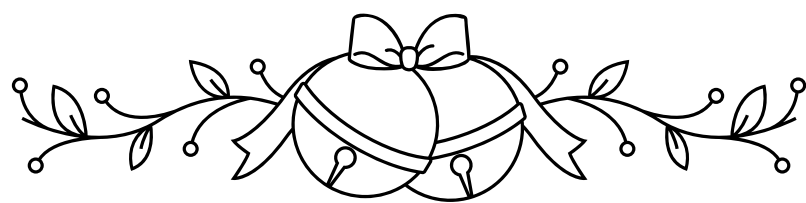


As hard as she tried to stay strong, Apple still felt like she had been far apart from her family for a long time and whenever she looked around at everyplace and at everyone, she secretly kept having visions of herself in her childhood where she followed closely to her parents and their footsteps before she attended to Ever After High as a new student after years of growing up. With memory after memory she had in her head, then Apple heard someone calling her name. "Miss White!" It was Baba Yaga, a witch, sorceress and faculty advisor at Ever After High. "Are you feeling alright my dear? You are going to be late for the Christmas preparations." "Oh, yes, Miss Yaga." Said Apple nervously. And soon she joined with other students and together, they all helped each other decorating the whole school red and green with all the decorations they collected to make the best Christmas in all their ever afters.



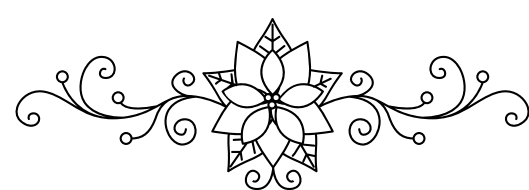
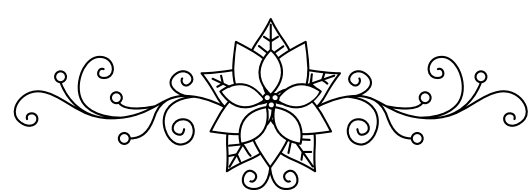
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A Father & Daughter Conversation

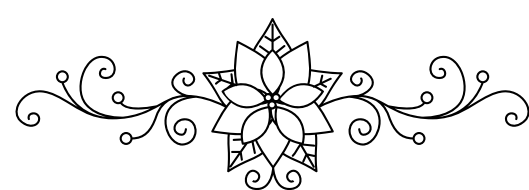
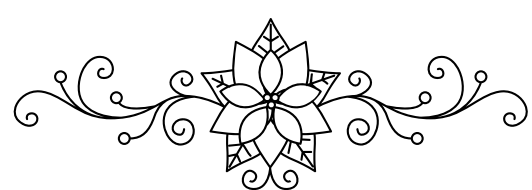


Meanwhile, the headmaster was returning to his office. An office that is big as the Throne Room at Ever After High. His chair is a throne which sits on a raised platform, a dais, to give it prominence. He practices his speeches in his office for upcoming events and repeatedly checks all the schedules of classes and events for all his students at Ever After High to attend to. When he arrived back in his office, he saw, waiting in front of his desk was his brother, Giles Grimm and the second son of Mr. Grimm who spends some of his time in the Vault of Lost Tales, a secret library under the school and was pleased to see his big brother once again. "Giles!" Hexclaimed the headmaster. "Is that really you?" "Ah, good morning my brother!" Said Giles cheerfully in his own Grimm style. "It is great to be seeing you once again at this

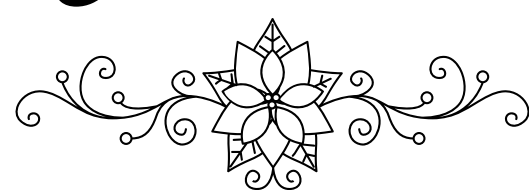
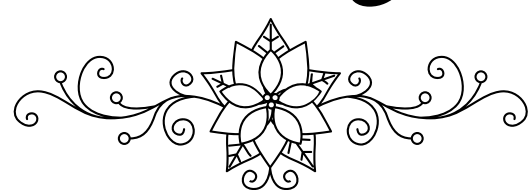
time of year. Besides, I hereby to tell you that someone had already took over your throne for today while you was away." Headmaster Grimm was in shock of what he had heard. "Oh, really? Who was it? He demanded. "Now now my brother." Giles replied. "I do believe she is here waiting for you to welcome her." "Oh, it's a she?" Asked the headmaster. "Do you really mean...?" "Oh yes!" Said Giles. "I know hexactly what you mean really. Your beloved daughter and the long lost niece of my fairy own, Arthura!" Giles showed his brother that his chair was facing at the big view outside of Ever After High and then turned around to face Headmaster Milton and Giles Grimm. And there they saw in front of them, while reading and writing her personal journal was the headmaster's daughter Arthura Grimm. She was busy writing her journal about her life she spent for years at Ever After High, knowing that she'll be the new headmistress one day until she turned her attention to her father and uncle so they



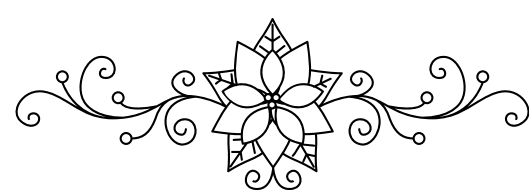
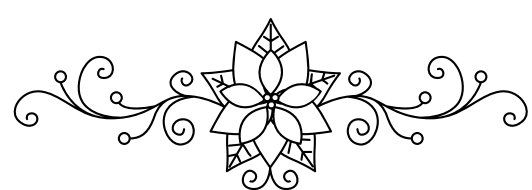
can see how well she is getting on at Ever After High as the new student, but she looked ever so glum since she lived at Ever After High for years. "Oh dear," Muttered Giles. "It seems to me she's not like herself as usual and it's not like her at all." "Hmm..." The headmaster agreed. "I think you're right, Giles. Now, Arthura, is there something a matter?" And Giles was right and there was a matter as Arthura told her father everything. "Well, Father, as far as I'm being honest with you and uncle Giles, I'm just glad I can stay with you for today. But sometimes I just felt like I want to go out there to study a lot more further and make lots of new friends who I definitely admire, as they heard a lot about of me and I wish they were here with me." Her father and uncle both listened to her carefully. "Well my dear," Said the headmaster "I understand you had been waiting patiently since you started this school three months ago, but it's not always that easy for you to attend there and make lots a new friends."



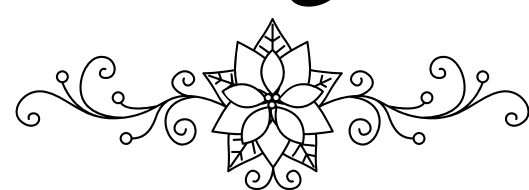
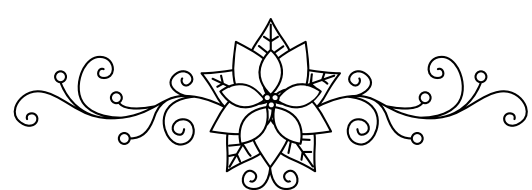
"That's right." Said Giles. "And as a private student just for now until next year, you are about to embark a great journey as the young observer in the entire school, just to keep a sharp eye on every student who are Royals and Rebels to see how well they are getting on. As long as they are following their individual destinies of course." "Oh yes". Agreed Arthura, as she felt just a bit better. "Although it's not always that easy for me to experience this whole new world that I never been before, but there are locations that I know where to go since my father had showed me the whole on my first day. And of course... well um... do you know what the hard part is for me to do?" Milton and Giles are quite puzzled as they both listened. "What is it my dear?" Asked the headmaster. And Arthura continued. "The hard part is to choose what I wanted to be, you know, which either side I'm on I could be either a Royal or a Rebel and that is what's got me questioning about." The headmaster laughed in agreement.



"Oh my daughter," He said. "I think you are much more likely to be a Royal student than we had ever believed in. Your uncle and I were most proud of your time at private school, you had done a lot of SATS and had also passed your hexams to fulfill your destiny." "Hexactly!" Giles said. "Now, just you wait until Miss Baba Yaga shows up with a treat that could make you feel much better." "Oh thank you two so much." Said Arthura cheerfully. Just then, Baba Yaga had arrived with a set of four hot drinks in one disposable takeaway coffee cup tray and she was thrilled to see Headmaster Grimm's lovely daughter for the first time as she walked in with excitement. "My oh my!" She hexclaimed as she gave out one hot drink each for the whole staff group, including Arthura as a treat she had ever got for being a well-mannered young lady as well as a well-behaved student. "How wonderful it is to see the future headmistress of the whole school, just like her father when he was

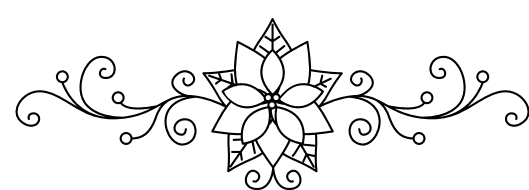
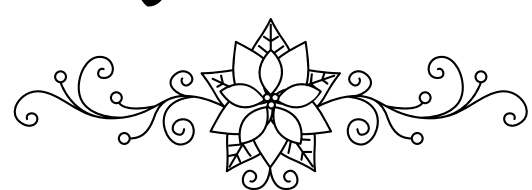


your age." Arthura's face blushed in shades of red that shows her embarrassment in front of the staff members of the office, like she never felt embarrassed for once in her life. "Here you go my dear." Said Baba and gave Arthura her own hot drink. "This is a classic hot chocolate, steamed in semi-skimmed milk and mocha-flavored syrup, topped with whipped cream. I do hope you enjoy it my dear, it's pretty hot so please be careful." "Thank you Miss Yaga." Arthura said kindly. "I always wanted a warm drink that has caffeine and I could have it with some brown sugar that can brighten up my day. Wouldn't you all agree with me?" The staff team were all surprised, but did agree with Arthura indeed. "Miss Yaga...?" Asked Headmaster Grimm. "Do you believe that my daughter would be alright having some brown sugar in her own hot drink? I a little worried about her own blood sugar and I do have to be aware of it." "Of course, Mr. Grimm." Replied Baba. "I definitely agree with you and that's why I am giving her at



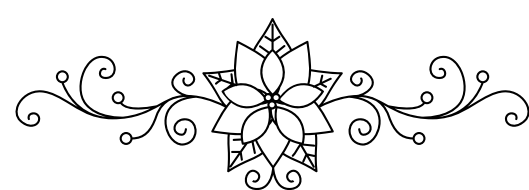
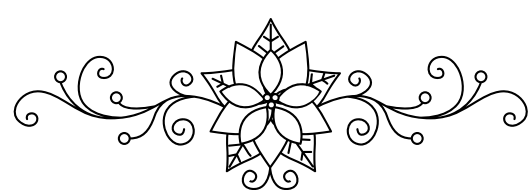
least one bag of brown sugar, which is the only the best kind of sugar which is better and unlike any other." "I agree." Arthura said charmingly. "So in that case, I believe that calls for the most royalable toast!" And she raised her warm hot chocolate to send her festive cheer to everyone around the office. "Anyone want to raise their coffee?" She asked cheerfully. "That is what's best for the holidays." "Fairy well." Said Giles. "On this occasion, we shall do the same. Shall we?" And they all raised their coffees together to raise their spirits inside them. As they did, all was well until they heard a strange grunting sound, as if someone was clearing it's throat to get their attention. "Ahem!" They all turned around and there, standing outside of Headmaster Grimm's office was Professor Rumpelstiltskin, a magic-wielding Russian imp and a Science and Sorcery teacher who acts both as a donor and an antagonist in the fairytale carrying his name. He walked to the office feeling fairy grumpy, which has gotten the

staff team worried, especially Arthura who was frightened of Rumpelstiltskin due to his miserly presence at Ever After High for having students spinning piles of gold for him if they ever had fail their tests he sets up each year. "Now tell me." He grumbled in a growly voice. "Why does everyone all have their own hot drink except me, eh? Where in the world of a fairytale is mine?!" "Well hexcuse me," Snapped Headmaster Grimm. "You do realize that my daughter is here and she does not like that kind of respect from you!" "Oh, I'm terribly sorry." Apologized Rumpelstiltskin cheekily. "But is she really allowed to have coffee this morning? Seriously guys, not all students do like a good taste of cocoa beans in the morning you know." "Well if you ask me," Baba Yaga replied. "I was going to give you one indeed, which is fine. But I heard that Miss Arthura Grimm, as the next head of the whole school has just turned up to this office to be given a warm welcome." "Oh, so that's why?" Rumpelstiltskin asked. "Oh



yes." Replied Baba in her polite manners. "But her one is a hot chocolate with only one small bag of brown sugar to help her through the day, so she doesn't need coffee at all. Now," She continued. "I will get you a coffee if you promise me to be a nice imp this year." "Me?" Grunted Rumpelstiltskin. "Being nice to everybody?! Why, you have got to be kidding me!" But of course Baba Yaga and the Grimms were not kidding at all. "She's right you know and I agree with her." Commented Arthura. "Besides, if you don't be nice to everyone and continue at being such a humbug then there would be no coffee for you at all." Rumpelstiltskin gasped in horror and knew what Arthura truly meant by her words of wisdom by looking directly at her and everyone else's eyes, which also means that they all look fairly serious to him until he knelt down on a royal red carpet of Headmaster Grimm's office. "Alright, alright! I'll do anything what it takes to show kindness. Okay?" "Then, Baba smiled. She felt fairly impressed that

Rumpelstiltskin would be able to keep his promise to her and everyone else to show his kindness to one another and will try to be less of a humbug this year. "Now that's what we like to hear." She said cheerfully. "Yes, sure." Rumpelstiltskin replied. "But that's not all I came here for. I also like to report you all at least two news that I must give out." "Really?" The headmaster asked. "Well then let's hear it, as long as it needs to be true." "Oh yes, sure." Rumpelstiltskin ensured and began to explain the news to the whole staff group around the office. "One, Mrs. Her Majesty The White Queen is arranging some activities for all of our Royal students. And two, she even planned the Rebels for a little visit to a new location at Ever After High. A new place that they have not traveled to just yet and a theme park that is close to the sea, beyond the distant lands. It's called Adventure Island." The whole staff team were surprised to hear from Rumpelstiltskin as he continued his explanation about Adventure Island as



the new theme park of Ever After High. "So, I bet none of us had ever been there before, but really would like to see what it looks like and most importantly, who owns the entire fairground at sea, which would be an opportunity." "Well, surely it would be indeed." Said Giles. "But for now, let's head down to see what The White Queen has got for us for today, because I know for certain that she can be too ambitious to us all sometimes." The staff team agree to see The White Queen at once, so they headed off, except Arthura. She wanted to be part of the whole staff team, as well as being an official student at Ever After High. "Please, Father." She said to Headmaster Grimm. "May your precious daughter come with you?" But her father became concerned. "Not right now my dear." He said to her sternly. "As the headmistress of the future, I am putting you in charge of the office to take care of everything while we head down to the hallway to meet up with Her Majesty. Now you whatever you do, do not

leave this place until we return, or even mess around at my desk that I had tidied up. Do you understand what I said?" "Oh yes, daddy." Arthura replied blissfully. But secretly, she felt a little depressed that she had to stay in her father's office. As soon as they left to meet up with The White Queen, Arthura was all by herself, guarding the entire office like a real headmistress who should be. Then she noticed two things on her father's desk. A new, but old fashioned telephone on the left side and a pot of ink, a feather and some blank paper stacked on the right side of the desk. Then all of this gave her an idea. "I got it!" She hexclaimed. "Since my father told me not to leave or play on his desk but never told me about not touching the phone or the paper with ink, maybe whenever the phone rings, I will answer the call responsibly and then write down all the details on this piece of paper while I listen to someone on the line, whoever it will be." As she picked out one piece of blank paper and placed it in front

of her on the desk, she felt much pleased to herself as she carefully grabbed the ink pot and a feather for her to write on. She was just warming up and was about to practice her own speeches when all of the sudden the telephone rang. Arthura was in shock when she heard it. "Oh my flipping scrolls!" She cried. "Now it's my chance to achieve some prominence!" And she picked up the phone and answered it. "Hello? This is Ever After High, a fairytale boarding school and the headmaster's daughter speaking." And then, a young person on the line replied to her. "Hello, Arthura. This is Tim Cratchit, your childhood friend and Uncle Scrooge's nephew." Arthura realized who the person she is talking to. "Oh hi, Tim! Long time no see! How did you get the number?" "I Just looked up on MirrorNet and discovered it on the school's web page." Replied Tim. "And I'm here to inform you that my family and I are in real trouble!" "Oh!" Arthura replied. "What seems to be the problem?" "Well for instance," Tim explained. "There

are most schools out there across the big city state who refused to accept all of our invitations to tend to the Royal Music Hall, where the party is held at. Seriously! There is trouble I'm telling you." "Well, that's no problem at all." Said Arthura. "There's only one school that could probably go this year, and that's Ever After High." "Maybe so, but it goes deeper than that." Tim said. You see it's our home that's also had been refitted into a hotel for the citizens to stay for a week or two in a splendid selection of hostels to sleep in. And we are making the payment on the duvets. By the way, what we're really talking about is an absolute catastrophe." Arthura was surprised. "Yes, that does sound so serious. Is there more information you have to say?" "Of course!" Hexclaimed Tim. "Now the only solution at least is to plan a seating area, along with plates and cutleries for the people to eat. My family and I are inviting you to attend at the Royal Music Hall and I will see you again!" Then Arthura became concerned.

"But it's miles away." She said as she wrote on a blank paper of the information that Tim had provided. "So how will we be able to get there?" "Now that's a good question." Replied Tim. "And the answer to that is transportation. This is a trip for the school to stay for three days and three nights and for transport, there will be lots of horses with carriages and limousines. So that way you, the staff and all the students will have to be up nice and early for the biggest event of the year to attend to." "Ah." Said Arthura. "Now this will be our first trip to the city beyond our kingdom like never before." "Now that's the spirit there, girl!" Cheered Tim. "Yes, but which day will we be there?" Arthura asked. "Let's say Friday the 18th." Tim replied. Arthura was excited and had written all the details she had heard from Tim. "Okay, I got it all on paper and I am happy to say that I had accepted it!" "Wonderful!" Hexclaimed Tim, feeling fairy relieved. "It would be great with you to visit somewhere new! Like the bowling

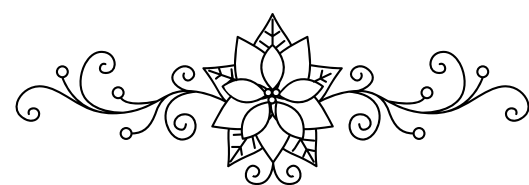
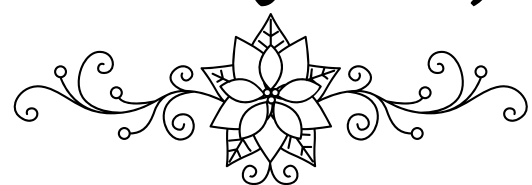
alley or the casino palace." "Or a museum with lots of great exhibits!" Said Arthura cheerfully. "Yes, it would all be at the Royal Music Hall." Tim replied happily. Thanks for accepting this invitation my friend, I hope we'll be reunited real soon." "Me too." Arthura replied. "Well, I better get going, so have nice day, Tim and I will see you on Friday. Goodbye!" "Oh yes, definitely. Now good luck!" And Tim Cratchit finished his call, which then leaves Arthura finishing her single paper or two with the details she got from her old friend she knew a long time ago when they were little children. She was just placing the paper in front of her and plopped the feather back into the ink pot when she heard the sound, "Ahem!" She jumped in a state of shock and there was Headmaster Grimm who caught his own daughter with her own hands on the feather. "Oh, father!" Arthura cried as she was just catching her breath. "I honestly thought it was Mr. Rumpelstiltskin again. But thank goodness it was you. Why are

you making that horrible grunting noise, which is the sort of noise that I don't like at all?" "Because my dear," Said Headmaster Grimm, looking stern at Arthura as if she had disobeyed her father for not doing as she was told not to. "I was just keeping an eye on you for a few seconds ago and you were talking to someone on the phone, which is the part I should have told you not to use it without my permission." Arthura felt guilty, but was determined to tell her father the whole truth. "Father, forgive me if I had ever done something wrong, but I just had a call from a friend of mine who I haven't seen for a long time." "A friend?" Asked Headmaster Grimm. "Who was it?" "Well," His daughter replied. "Let's just say it's Tim Cratchit, son of Bob Cratchit and he had informed me that he and his family are in jeopardy of arranging a party this year and he is inviting all of us to attend there." "You mean the boy who we call him Tiny Tim? Because that's the name I have heard once in a story about the mean old

man who was taught a lesson by the three spirits of Christmas when he met them." "Oh yes," Said Arthura. "I remember once reading it at preschool and it was one of my favorite Christmas stories ever after. Besides, is there a favorite story you have?" "So far, all fairytale stories are technically most of my favorites." Headmaster Grimm answered. "By the way, I also noticed you had written something down on this blank sheet of paper and I do have a feeling that it does have something to with the party he is arranging." "Of course it is, yes." Agreed Arthura. "I have all these details he's given me and you won't believe where this party is taking place." Headmaster Grimm was beginning to worry. "Where on earth is it taking place my dear?" He asked. "Well, like it or not," Said Arthura, looking pretty honest. "But the party will be held at the Royal Music Hall, at the big city, beyond our land of fairy tales." The headmaster was shocked. "My word! I know where that place is, Arthura. The Royal Music Hall at

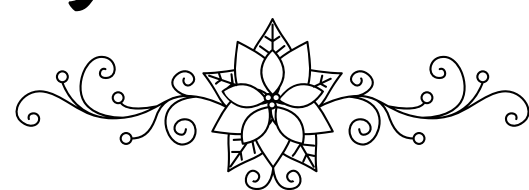
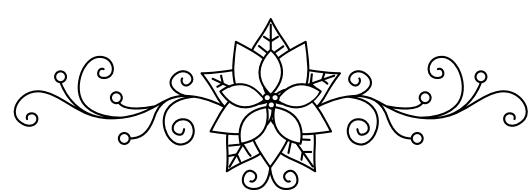
the big city is where the city itself is one of the main lands of America." "Whoa, that's definitely far away." Arthura agreed. "And even if it is, he also said about transport we need for our big trip. For instance, there will be horse carriages and limousines to for us to travel on, which either one's best to take. Although I like carriage rides, but I prefer to take the limo more because it's filled with luxury on the inside. Wouldn't you agree, father?" "Well I have to say I do my dear." Said Headmaster Grimm. "But is there anything else he said about this trip to the party?" "Yes." Said Arthura. "He also informed me that his home was refitted to have lots of great hostels for all of us to sleep in and there will also be quality table sets for us to sit down and eat the finest meals. But there's only one thing that we have to work out on and that is about how long we'll be staying in for, because he did say that all families and friends can stay in for a week or two." Headmaster Grimm then thought of something of what these

details Arthura had written down really meant to him. "It seem to me my dear," He continued. "That this is a trip that we are likely to attend is something we had never experienced on the land beyond the entire horizons before, and I do think it's best to stay there for three nights at least if we're going to be there." "Now that sounds like a great idea!" Arthura cheered. She was glad that she and her father have something in great common. Just then the White Queen stepped into the office. She felt impressed to see Arthura with her hot chocolate and the papers with lots of information about the party being held at the big city across the state far away. "Ah, my dear, Arthura." She said. "You do look just like your daddy with all the things you had gathered round to make yourself look perfectly successful." Arthura smiled with joy. "Yes, thank you, your majesty." She replied. "And I have set up a small assignment of the day for you to do." The White Queen continued. "So you better be ready to join in with the students

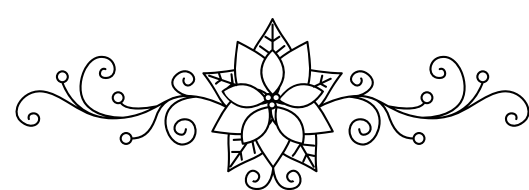
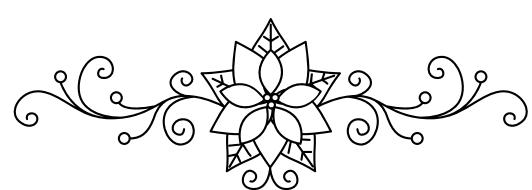


who you may get to meet for the first time and they had heard a lot things about you." Arthura had never felt so proud of herself when she was given the great opportunity to be part of the whole school for once in her life after she waited years for this to come true. But she wondered if she would ever wanted to join with the Royals or the Rebels. "Oh I can't thank you enough for this!" She cheered. "Now, there are indeed two groups that I must decide which one is right for me, but my father said I'm much more Royally, which means joining in with the Royals." "Well," Said the White Queen. "We'll see about that one when we all head down to the Castleteria and they will greet you with a warm welcome to their classes. Anyway, with Miss Baba Yaga to be your escort you will then shall take the lead of a group that you'll be travelling with to show them which place you would like to go. So that way, they can learn a little something new for a change and all of that shall be a test to your observing skills." Arthura was

thrilled with her first assignment and was determined to take full pride in her destiny to achieve her goal as the headmistress of the future. "So, what are we waiting for?" She asked? "I am so looking forward to be meeting all the students who are fulfilling their destinies and to fulfill mine! Right?" "Hold on there my dear." Said Headmaster Grimm." You still have your hot chocolate to finish." "Yes, I got it." Replied Arthura as she grabbed her nice hot drink from her father's desk and was ready to take on this assignment the White Queen had already given her. Just then, Mrs. Her Majesty, the White Queen sniffed at something. "Why, I know that smell." She said. "It's definitely the smell of white coffee." The headmaster and his brother smelled it too, then came into the office is Rumpelstiltskin with two cups of coffee. "Here, your Majesty." He said kindly to the White Queen. "This is the white coffee to brighten up your day. Mine is just a latte with steamed Russian baked milk." "Well, how nice of you for offering

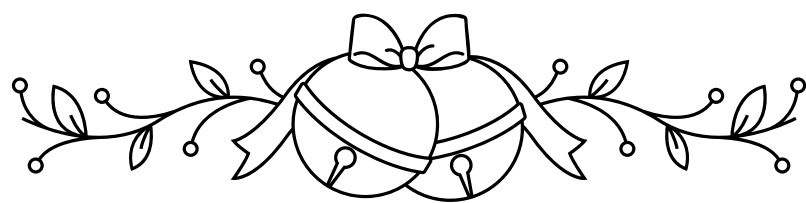


me something new." She replied. "But I do know the way you make your's and that would be no good for my digestion if I ever tasted it. But thank you fairy much." But the truth was the White Queen had tried white coffee before when she was young and felt so passionate about. Arthura was confused. "Professor Rumpelstiltskin," She asked. "Did you made your own coffee?" "I changed my mind about getting one from the Castleteria, my dear Arthura." Replied Rumpelstiltskin. "Which maybe be a nicest thing to do for once in my life and I felt so proud of myself." "Well in that case," Said Arthura cheerfully. "I'm proud of you, too." And so were the Grimms, the White Queen and Baba Yaga. Now they all headed off to the Castleteria to make their observation at Ever After High, where and Arthura was going to make her first appearance and impression to the students who had heard quite a lot about. "I wonder what's it's like to be a new student at Ever After High." She said to herself.

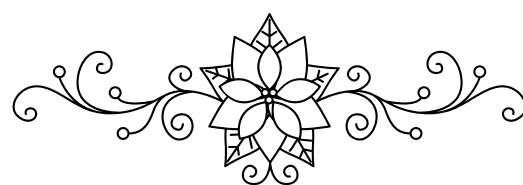
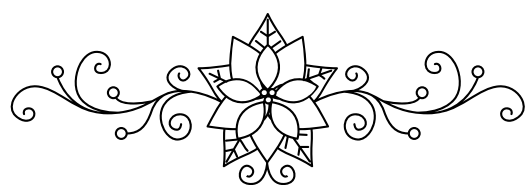


CHAPTER 3

The Daughter's Big Assignment

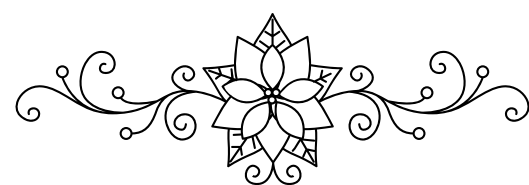
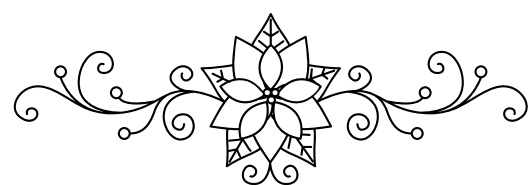


At the Castleteria, everyone had already finished decorating and helping each other out for the holidays and they split up into two groups to decide which group would like to do some fun activities in the school, or join with Baba Yaga and Headmaster Grimm's daughter to take on a journey to a new location at Ever After High. They were amazed to see Arthura Grimm for the first time and she was pleased to meet all the students, but she also felt shy about how she would be able to manage the whole day with a group of students that she will be with would be chosen to be with her and Baba Yaga. Then, the headmaster made his next speech to the students after he introduced them to his daughter at last. "Now listen up, please." He said. "There are two choices for you all to make, to enjoy an festive season today. The two choices are:



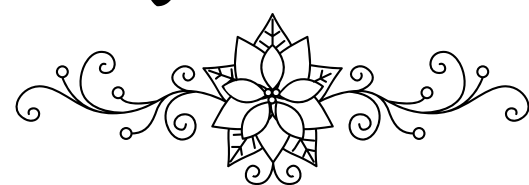
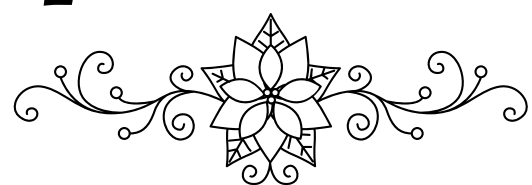
To either join in with me, Giles and the White Queen for some fun and games or go with Miss Arthura Grimm and Baba Yaga to take a journey to a place to visit." All the students were making their quick decisions to find out which choice they will pick, which pleases Arthura because she can see how the Royals and Rebels are making good progress. "Okay, everyone." The White Queen called, making sure that all the students were paying as much attention as they should. "Hands up if you would like to do some jolly activities with us." Then they noticed that the Royals had their hands up, but the Rebels didn't. The White Queen was surprised to see that, but clearly understood that. "Fairly well." She continued. "Now, hands up if you would like to go with Miss Baba Yaga and Miss Arthura Grimm to visit somewhere nice." And the Rebels had their hands for that choice. Arthura knew she would be going out with the Rebels, especially that she will in future because she knew that they want

to get know a lot more about her and how they never met her at Ever After High. The White Queen agreed and the two groups were split up to join with their teachers. The Royals had gathered round to join in with Headmaster Grimm, Giles and the White Queen, while the Rebels gathered up with Arthura and Baba Yaga to get themselves ready for a small trip to a place they never been before. "Make sure you have a safe and wonderful time my dear." Said Headmaster Grimm, wishing Arthura the best of luck on her first official day of being at Ever After High. "I will, father." Arthura replied happily. "I am so happy to take the lead of this group and I will be keeping an eye on them." "That's the spirit there my dear." Her father conceded, then he turned his attention to the staff and the Royal students. "Right everyone, let's have some fun now." Once the Royals went off with Headmaster Grimm and the others, the Rebels were lining up to greet Arthura as they want to make herself at home, but

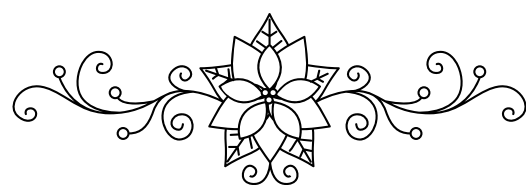
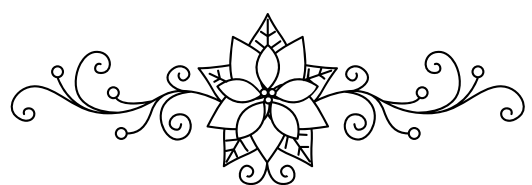


in one of their dorm rooms each at Ever After High. Arthura felt a little bashful, but she did appreciate the pleasure from the Rebels as she planned the route on her MirrorPhone which leads them to the new location, which is somewhere close to the sea near Ever After High. The Rebels had no idea where they'll be heading today, but Arthura knew that because she is going to give the Rebels and herself the best time of their lives. "Alright my dear Rebels." Called Baba Yaga. "Now you have all got know the headmaster's daughter, now is the time to find out which journey she is going to take us all to." "That's right." Said Arthura. "And luckily the route to that new location that we are taking is all set and we're ready to go. As a private student, I'll be in charge of you all and will also be observing you all just to make sure that we all stay together and be safe, as well as enjoying ourselves of course. Even Miss Yaga will stick by my side, just to keep a close eye on us." Baba Yaga agreed. "Hexcellent work my dear."

Then Arthura stood next to Baba Yaga and she turned her attention to the Rebels who are all waiting patiently for the long walk to a new place. "Okay." She said. "Are we all ready?" All the Rebels said yes like they do mean it because they are looking forward to an enchanting day at a mysterious new place at Ever After High. "Then let's get scrolling!" Arthura cheered as she was the only one who is looking forward the most. Even Baba Yaga was hexcited as she also agreed. "Oh yes, let's get scrolling indeed." Soon the Rebels followed Arthura Grimm and Baba Yaga down to the halls and out of the main entrance of Ever After High and off they went in full excursion to the new location they're heading to, to enjoy and learn something new and find out what it's really like out there. On the way to the new place they can hear the seagulls squawking as they fly so high in the sky and over the distance towards the location where the Rebels are heading to. Then they saw a bunch of palm trees as they swift and sway



beautifully in the winter wind. The Rebels were puzzled. They never usually see palm trees at winter time, nor that they ever had any of them at Ever After High. Arthura Grimm and Baba Yaga were enchanted to see this place filled with palm trees like they never seen anything like this. Raven Queen walked closely to Arthura, feeling a lot curious than all the Rebels as they are. "Arthura..." She said. "It seems kinda odd to see those palm trees at this time of year and we never seem to have any of them at our school. Besides, what hexactly is with them and those flowers? They look pretty tropical, but beautiful." "Oh they sure are, Raven." Arthura replied. "I love these kind of palm trees, especially when they come with these beautiful flowers. And because of that, we're getting closer to that new location we're heading to for a visit." "Well, speaking of which," Raven said curiously. "Where are you taking us really?" Arthura smiled with joy. "Oh, it's a surprise, Raven. You and the Rebels will love it when we get there."

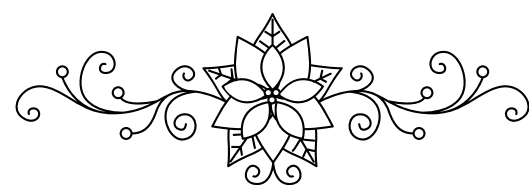
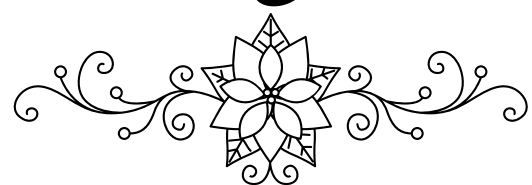


Then Madeline Hatter heard something. She has incredible listening powers in her ears, which allows her to hear everything and everyone around her. "Hexcuse me," She said. "I have the fairy feeling that we're heading towards a nearby seashore. Am I right?" "Really?" Raven asked. "How would you know that one, Maddie?" Maddie just grinned with such knowledge inside her. "Because, I can hear it with my own ears! Can't you spellieve it? We must be getting closer to it by now." All of the Rebels and Baba Yaga heard it too, then Baba turned to Arthura. "Miss Grimm." She said. "Have you suggested of what I think you had? It seems to me that we may not be ready for it yet." "Well I have to say, Miss Yaga," Said Arthura. "And to all you Rebels out there, if you're listening to this... the new place that we're heading is indeed close to the shore, which of course you, Madeline Hatter are so right about. And I do seem to spellieve that we're almost there!" The Rebels were

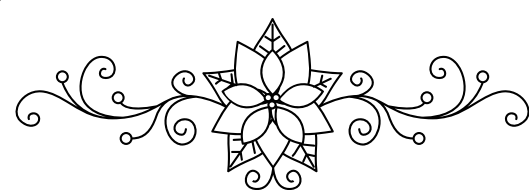
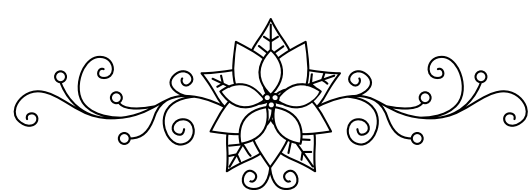
hexcited, except for Baba Yaga. She felt a bit worried about what bad might happen to them if they arrive there, but with no doubt, she carried on. When they arrived at the location, Baba Yaga and the Rebels all gasped in amazement of what they saw with their own eyes. Even Arthura was full of hexcitement as she knew she made the right choice for their trip to come true. There right in front of them near the sea, they had arrived at a big theme park filled with fast and thrilling rides, a magnificent gift shop, a luxurious restaurant to dine in both inside and outside and a lot of fun activities to do at the theme park and at sea. Arthura and Baba Yaga had never seen anything else like this ever after and the Rebels could not believe their own eyes, nor they can wait to enjoy the rest of their afternoon to decide what they want to do first. Then Arthura spotted something at the far distance with her own eyes. There at the seashore was a huge lighthouse with a Caribbean themed building in front of it.

There is also a long zip line on top of the lighthouse that is connected to the pirate crow's nest, which is in the center of the entrance to the house someone who lives in there and who owns this entire theme park. Arthura was determined to find out when she and the rest of group will attend there. But first, she and Baba Yaga both lead the Rebels to the ticket office to buy multiple tickets for the whole group. There was a sign above outside the office saying "Buy your ride bands & tickets here!" and soon they all walked in line and had found the manager who is in charge of the office. "Welcome to Adventure Island." She said. "Are you all in this together to enjoy your day?" "Why yes, ma'am." Replied Arthura. I am a private student, here with my lovely caretaker and this is the group of Rebel students from Ever After High. I had also booked in for the trip earlier online." Baba Yaga was surprised. "My word, Arthura!" She cried. "I'd say, that is going to cost you a fortune. What will your father about say

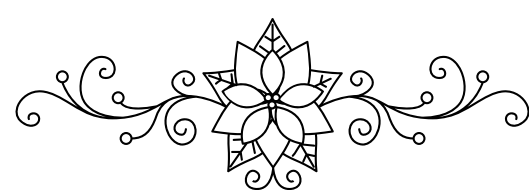
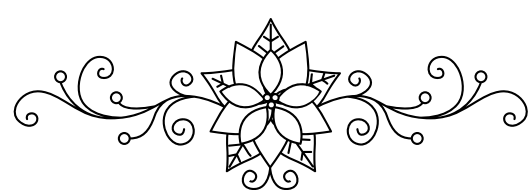
about this?" "Oh no worries." Said Arthura. "It's a good thing I do have my fairy own credit card, so that way we students and of course you as our sorceress and caretaker will go on all the rides with a wristband for a discount." "A wristband you say?" Asked Baba Yaga curiously. "Precisely." Arthura replied. I read the information online and it said they have three ride bands because all the rides and attractions are divided into three 'height permitting' groups. Am I right ma'am?" "That's right my dear." Said the manager. "For instance, the red bands are for riders below 1m. The green bands are for riders between 1m and 1.2 metres. And the blue bands are for riders above 1.2m only." Arthura smiled in agreement. "That will be tickets for the blue bands I chosen." She replied happily. "So that way, we will all have unlimited access to all blue, green and red band rides across the park. Did you hear that, everyone?" She called to the Rebels. "We get to go on all the rides whilst wearing a blue wristband only."



All the Rebels clapped and cheered with excitement. Even Baba Yaga was pleased, as well as hoping to receive something nice and complimentary, like a staff member at Ever After High should deserve something special. After Arthura paid for the tickets on her royal bank credit card, the manager then gave them all a blue wristband each to have unlimited access to all the rides at the theme park by the sea. "Thank you ever so much." Said Arthura kindly. "You're fairy welcome." The manager replied, making sure they got their tickets and wristbands each to go out and have a wonderful time at Adventure Island. "Have a great day out there." And soon Arthura and Baba Yaga lead the Rebels towards the big lighthouse where people from far and wild places had gathered around to see the real owner of the entire theme park. The Rebels couldn't wait to go on all those thrilling rides they wanted to try, but they followed Arthura and Baba Yaga to the small building to find out who lives there. "Say, Arthura and Miss

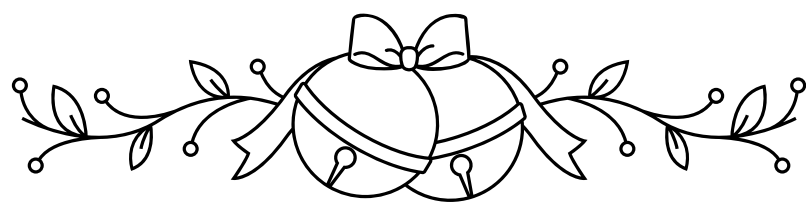


Yaga?" Raven asked. "Where are you both taking us hexactly? I thought we're going to ride on all these cool attractions." Baba Yaga smiled. "Of course we will." She said. "But first of all, we get to meet a successful young founder who developed this entire amusement park." "Ooh! I wonder who he is and what he does." Cheered Maddie. "He is the founder of this theme park, Maddie." Arthura replied. "And his name is Captain Joseph, which we shall shorten it for 'Cap Joe'." The Rebels were hexcited to meet Captain Joseph from the lighthouse and so were Arthura and Baba Yaga who they knew that one because they can see that they wanted to know what life is like at Adventure Island. So they continued on until they had reached towards the huge crowd of people waiting at the end of the lighthouse building.

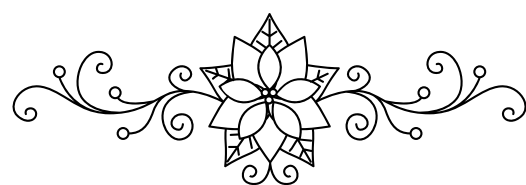
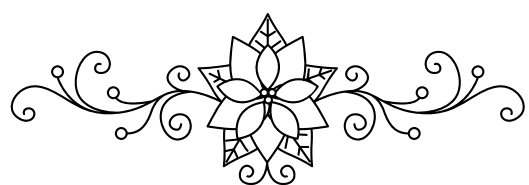


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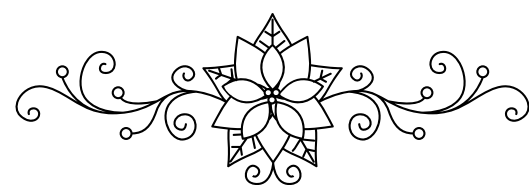
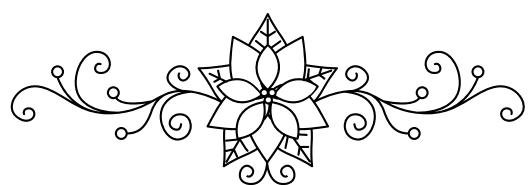
Introducing Captain Joseph



When they arrived outside at the center of the small Caribbean building, they knew it would be crowded with people from far-off and other neighboring places who had gathered round to meet the original owner of this entire theme park. They all felt the excitement inside themselves as well as the Rebels while they all looked forward to be meeting Captain Joseph and his own crew for the first time in their lives when they make their first appearance in any moment at this time of day. Just then, an announcement had been called from those mountable horn speakers on the crow's nest. "Ladies, gentlemen and children! Welcome to Adventure Island, the all-new and most exciting amusement park in all of Ever After!" Everyone all clapped and cheered as a big round of applause. Then suddenly, unseen by them and to those from

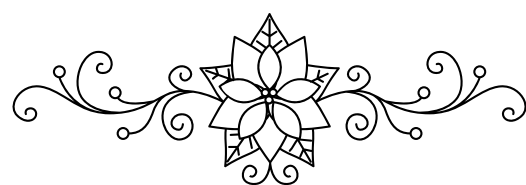
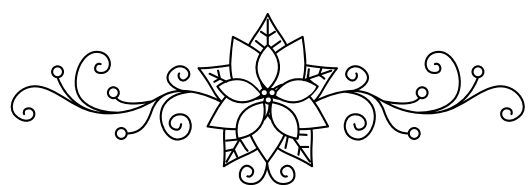


Ever After High, a mysterious silhouette of a figure on top of the lighthouse watches over at the people at Adventure Island, waited patiently to make his appearance to the center at crowd until the announcer made it's final call. "Introducing without further ado, the king of the seven seas and the proud owner of this entire amusement park who is always there to guide us, as well as to protect us and his premises at all times. And here he is, it's the one and only... Captain Joseph!" Everyone cheered once again and made a big shout out to the first name. "Joseph! Joseph! Joseph!" Even everyone from Ever After High did the same and it wasn't long until all of the sudden, a shadow appeared on the ground in front of the crowd and then up above the lighthouse came the mysterious figure who stood above it had then grabbed on to the zip line with it's hook on it's right arm, swooped down towards the crow's nest and climbed down on a rope safely to the ground, right in front of everyone and of course

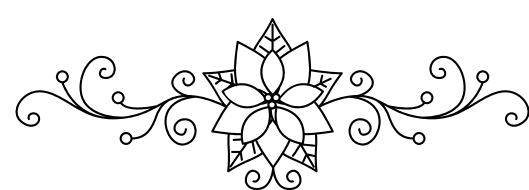
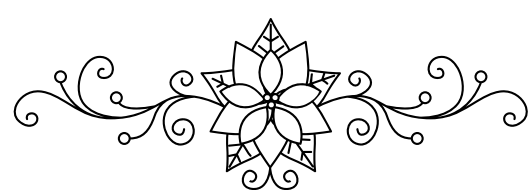


Arthura, Baba Yaga and the Rebel students who all looked amazed as Captain Joseph revealed his true appearance. A young and handsomely, hard-working captain with a heart of gold. "Hoarr!" He roared with joy, as he also gave a shocking reveal to them. A shiny hook on his left arm and a skeleton hand that is spinning around on his right arm. He also have a modern beard and a chevron moustache which makes him a pure gentleman as he always felt like one. "Welcome all to Adventure Island. I am Captain Joseph, a fearless, loyal and most hard-working young Captain in all of this entire Fairy Tale World." Everyone looked at him within impression, until Joseph's crewmates turned up and someone who is dressed inside a funny looking costume of a shark as the mascot of Adventure Island. "These people are my crewmates and the most helpful employees who can take you to which place you would like to go if you're really having trouble to do so. But remember. If there is trouble that you see,

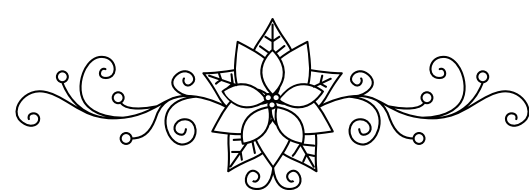
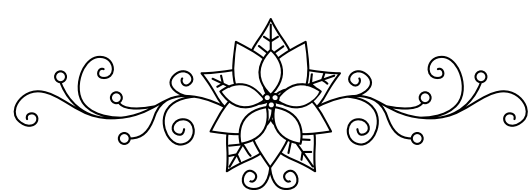
you must come to me, or my team and we will always be there to help make my park a safer place. Isn't that right, team?" The crewmates agreed and so did the mascot who jumped side to side and spun around like a top spinner, feeling fairly energetic in front of everyone and that includes the Rebels from Ever After High and they all laughed at it, thinking how funny it looks as it slowly grooved around. "Aye-aye." Said Joseph, looking quite puzzled as he witnessed the crowd laughing. "What is so funny? I don't recall being laughed at unless there is a reason for it." Baba Yaga who stared at the fidgety mascot decided to give in the reason. "Excuse me young captain." She said. "It appears to me that someone who is inside that shark costume seems pretty excited with all of his energy inside him. That's why everyone here has started laughing. Not at you or your crewmates, but the mascot itself." "A mascot you say?" Joseph asked as Baba Yaga nods her head which meant 'yes' to Joseph.



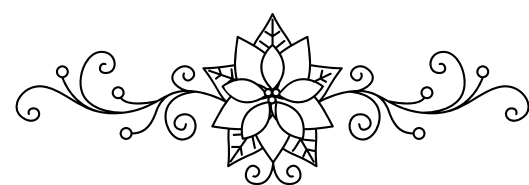
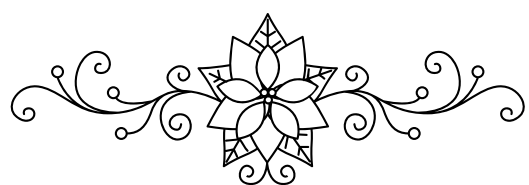
Then Joseph turned around and saw the shark costume being stared at by everyone and his crewmates, which has now got him feeling confused about why he is being stared at and Joseph soon realized that this could only mean one thing. "Ah-ha!" He exclaimed. Now that I see is our new crewmate of this entire amusement park and I know just the reason why he is wearing it. He is a little shy to show his gorgeous face with pointy ears." Everyone felt surprised to hear that as Joseph called in the mysterious person inside the shark to show his real appearance to the crowd. But He didn't say a word and flipped his arms and shook his head to say that he doesn't understand of what Joseph was trying to explain of what he wanted him to do. "Are you telling me that you have no idea what I'm saying?" He asked and started to laugh. "Well, perhaps we shall have a quick to see what you're hiding back there." Everyone watched as Joseph and his



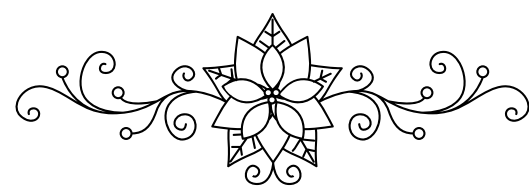
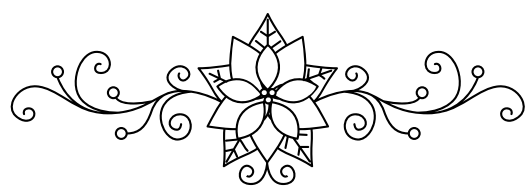
crewmates gathered around him as to find a way how to get their new crewmate out of this costume. Joseph, soon found a way to get him out grabbed a zip on the back of the shark, using his own hook on his left arm and pulled it all the way down to free the person out of it. His crewmates went back into their positions side by side and there, came out of the shark costume as an unlikely surprise was a young boy, usually dressed up in red and green who looked hexactly like a entertaining jester and he does have pointy ears and a black left eye. He can see everyone staring at the looks of him curiously and his cheeks blushed anxiously, but with a little smile on his face. Then, Captain Joseph introduced him to the people and to those from Ever After High. "This young fellow here, who has the hexact same first name as my own." He announced. "His real full name is 'Joseph Balthazar Christopher Schnee', but you can call him Schnee. It's his only last name that is



easier for us all to remember. And Schnee, these are the Rebel students from Ever After High. Here, don't be shy and say hello to them. Oh! And of course to this pretty lady and their teacher." Then Schnee spoke. "Uh... Ever After High?" He asked. "Oh yes! Indeed it is." Replied Joseph. "It's a boarding school located in the whole world of fairy tales. Ain't that right there, team?" Joseph's crewmates all agreed when they all yelled the word "Aye!" So Schnee who felt a little brave enough to raise his hand up and said "Well, uh... Hallelujah, to you all." "Say what?!" Hexclaimed Joseph and he chuckled with acceptance. "Really, young little Schnee? This is how you say hello to them like that? Honestly, try and show some manners if you can." As hard as he tried to, Schnee couldn't help himself in the way he speak to everyone in his manner, so he blushed again. Then Arthura stepped in and stared kindly at his face. "Oh, you poor thing." She said.

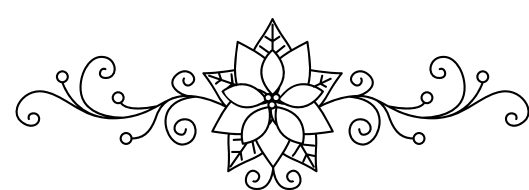
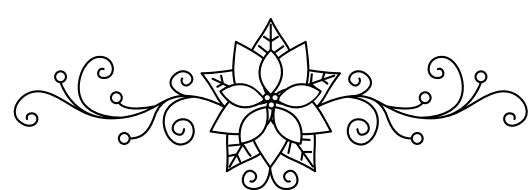


"You also have a black eye on your face."
"Oh my goodness." Agreed Baba Yaga as she looked at it too. "I never seen anyone with a nasty bruise on it's own face like that, not even one of our students ever had a black eye once before. How did that happened?" Schnee took a deep breath and began to explain his backstory. "Honestly," He begun. "From where I come is the land beyond Adventure Island and Ever After High, a land I used to live there as my only home. But now I had to leave because I was falsely accused by my own family for somethings that I had never done wrong." Everyone were quite puzzled to hear from Schnee, even Joseph and his crew listened. "And here's how I made it to this amazing theme that's close to the sea if you ask me." He continued. "Even after I was terribly mistreated by my family, I found a raft next to the small dock, got on board and then started sailing across the sea. Mile after mile I felt so cold, alone and I begun to feel so starving for food until one day, I met the



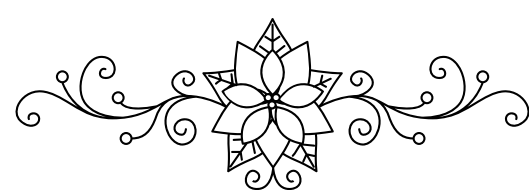
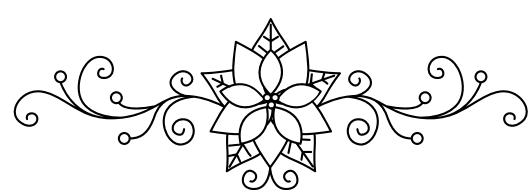
great Captain Joseph and his crewmates who came from other places they used to live and they came here and rescued me out of the raft and they took great care of me and welcomed me to his home and to his theme park called Adventure Island. Right now, I'm only working here as for apprenticeship and I really enjoy it with Joseph and his crew so far." Everyone from Ever After High were amazed to hear from Schnee as he told them everything of what he had been through. Even Arthura and Baba Yaga listened to him. "Well, I say Mr. Schnee." Said Arthura. "You do sound to us like you had a very bad past that you can't face anymore." "Of course I did." Schnee Replied. "And I was told wisely that I can't change the past either, not even as always the present. But the only thing you can change at least is the future itself. That's Captain Joseph's very own specialty that made me feel so relieved, I also felt like I'm learning something new to here, just like I

never learned anything like this before in my whole life. Wouldn't you all agreed on that?" Everyone could not believe of what they have heard from Schnee and of course they do agree with him as they had found it so extremely wise to be hear those words from him. "Um... Schnee?" Asked Arthura. "Even if you're enjoying your new life in this theme park as well as enjoying this whole experience while working here with everyone, how will your family know that you're here right now? Did they allow you to go off on your own and do what ever you want to do?" But Schnee denied about his family allowing him to go off own his own, even though he understood of what she is explaining to him about. "Unfortunately, lady," He replied. "They may had already knew that I'm gone from them, especially when my sister and I had a fight at each other after she accused me of messing with her collection in her bedroom. But I insure you all that would never do that in the

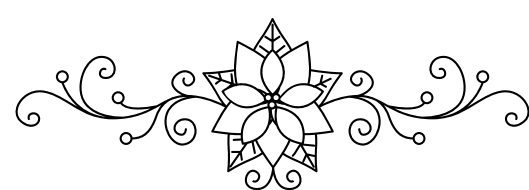
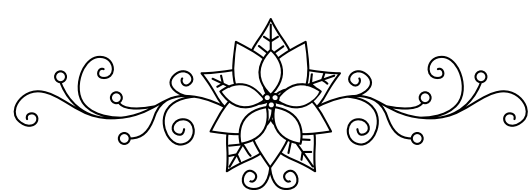


first place. And after that incident between me and her, I was banished, far away from my kingdom and there is no going back now. So here I am, making good progress with the whole team and that has changed my life for the better, forever after." Joseph smiled at Schnee, believing he had a good friend in him. "By the way," He continued. "Do you want to know what we'll be doing later on?" Everyone listened and wondered what Joseph and his crew will be doing at this time of day, until Schnee gave them the answer. "According to Captain Joseph, he made a plan for us yesterday to help clear up the beach that's near by the lighthouse and the plan he called it is... 'Operation Sea Weeding'. Shall we do it, captain?" Captain Joseph was surprised to hear from Schnee, but agreed. "Well well," He said. "Looks like someone is really keen on taking this job SO seriously!" Then he turned to his whole crew. "Alright my good crew, let's get our own nets, buckets and

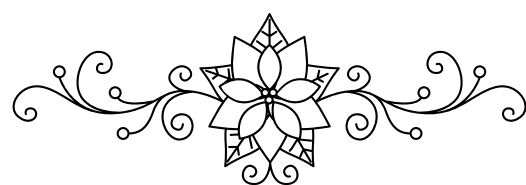
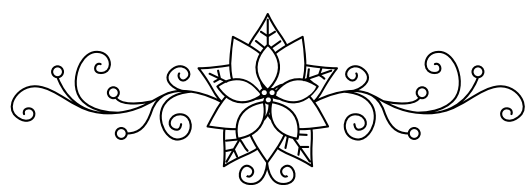
cutlasses and let's get sea weedin'." When his crew spread out together preparing for their big task, Joseph decides to make further of his introduction by beginning to sing a song to all of Ever After High. A song all about his sea weeding he begun to sing. "It's the time of the year to be sea weedin'. The sea looks so clear, ready for sea weedin'. How we love decking the deck about sea weedin'. Hoarr, roarr, roarr! Hoarr, roarr, roarr! Hoarr, roarr, roarr! Sea weedin'." Then he turned to the people of Ever After High. "Here, have you all ever done any sea weedin'?" He asked. But the Rebel students and of course Arthura Grimm and Baba Yaga had never done anything so unusual, so they all said "No." "Ohhh!" Hexclaimed Joseph. "I be lovin' it. It brings out my happiness when I say 'Hoooo-arrrrr'! Here, tell you what? Why don't we all sing about it together! Shall we?" Everyone from Ever After High and of course Joseph's crew and Schnee like the idea



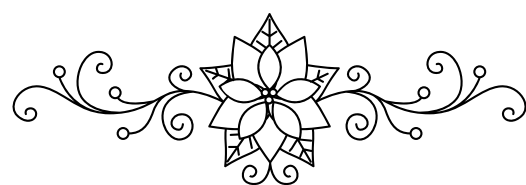
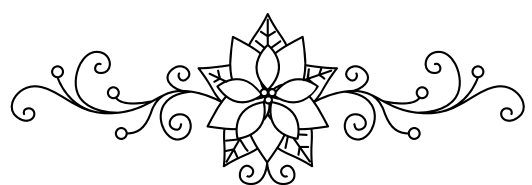
so they all said "Yeah!" And Joseph was delighted. "Right!" He called. "Okay, now this is what I want you to do: Every time you see me raise my cutlass, up in the air like this, I want you to shout out, as loud as you can: HOARR! You all got that?" Everyone all said yes and Joseph was thrilled to hear from them. "Alright! Now, let's practice shall we? On the count to three. One, two, three!" And when Joseph raised his cutlass high in the air, his whole crew and everyone from Ever After High all went "Hoarr!" Joseph was pleased and so was Schnee and the whole crew. "Alright!" He cheered. "Here we go with the music then." So Joseph and his crew all sang the words out along with Ever After High all together. "Hoarr, roarr, roarr! (HOARR!) Hoarr, roarr, roarr! (HOARR!) Hoarr, roarr, roarr! (HOARR!) Hoarr! Sea weedin'." As soon as they all repeated those words one last time Joseph now declared that everyone can have fun on all the rides at



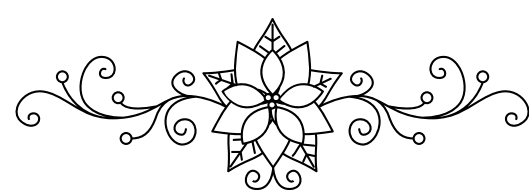
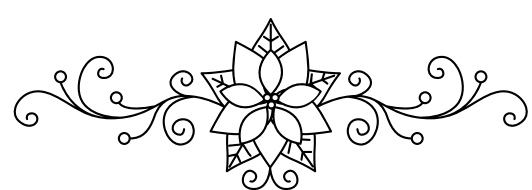
Adventure Island while he and his crew all headed out to the seaside resort to find some seaweed and pick up all the litter to prevent seagulls and sea creatures from chocking into these terrible hazards. Then Baba Yaga had an idea as she turned to the Rebels. "Listen up there Rebels." she called. "I think Arthura and I can see how Captain Joseph and his crew are doing just out shore. So Raven, May I entrust you to take charge of the whole group and take them to the rides they would like to try?" Raven felt like she had never ever taken such big responsibility and she agreed to do so. "Okay, Miss Yaga." She said and turned to her friends and the rest of the Rebels. "Well, that's good meeting Captain Joseph and his whole crew, who we can call him 'Cap Joe' which you said Maddie. Right?" "Spelltacularly!" Maddie replied. "But there is one thing that I'm not too comfortable with and that's me, allergic to pirates that is." Raven and the others were surprised. "Okay...



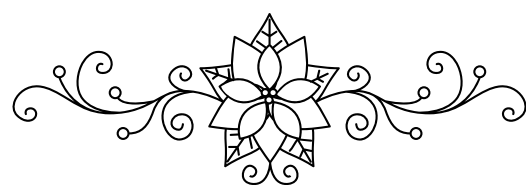
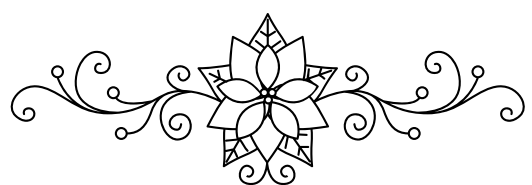
I never thought about that one. But don't worry, you're safe with us and we gonna have a great time of our lives. Won't we guys?" All the Rebels agreed. "Alright," She called. "Now that I'm in charge of you all, let's see the rides and work out which one is the best. In fact, I love to go on the blue band rides, now that I'm old enough. I reckon the 'Wave' roller coaster ride would definitely be the best one ever." "Now that sounds hexciting!" Maddie says cheerfully. "But what about the enormous 'Archelon Swinger' ride? It it yet the most thrilling ride that was named after the prehistoric giant turtle that swam so deeply into the oceans millions of years ago. Let's try that one, shall we?" "Or the daring Skydrop?" Asked Cerise Hood. "So that way, we can see the whole view of the sea and Ever After High from here." "Oh Geez my tail and whiskers, no!" Cried Kitty Cheshire. "What's wrong, Kitty?" Raven asked. Kitty opens up her moment of truth. "Well, you see..." She stammered. I do like rides that are fast,



but not the ones that are too high. That's what we call acrophobia." "Okay, now I got two people having problems that they're facing." Raven replied. "But I guess the big 'Archelon Swinger' would be okay for her and I got to keep an eye on Maddie so that nothing bad can happen to her, due to her allergies to one of those pirates. Anyway, let's get out there and see what's there." And Raven lead the Rebels towards the middle of Adventure Island to go on the rides they would like to go on. Meanwhile, Baba Yaga and Arthura Grimm walked to the coastal to see what Captain Joseph and his crew are up to. Then they found them gathering up some seaweed and some of them are out on full patrol to make sure the whole beach is safe. Even Schnee was enjoying himself, helping others out and took part of picking up litter off the sand and water. Then he noticed something splashing in the water. There he saw was a group of sea turtles trapped in a fishing net

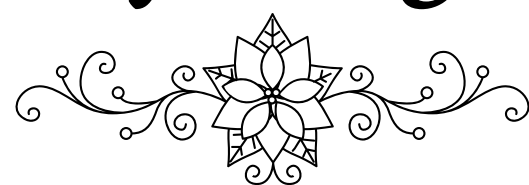
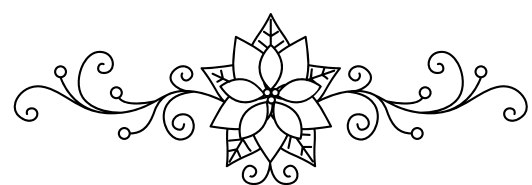


and they were desperately trying to find a way out of it. Schnee ran quickly towards them and managed to free them out of the fishing net. "Here you go, guys." He said to them kindly. The sea turtles thanked Snow for their rescue and they swam back into the water to find a safe place in the ocean. Then Schnee wrapped up the fishing net and carried it out to report to Captain Joseph about this small solution he had to deal with. As he looked around, He couldn't see Joseph anywhere. He can only see his crewmates working hard to keep the beach clean and tidy, until Baba Yaga and Arthura Grimm showed up to see what was going on. "Hey, guys!" He called as he spotted them two coming towards them. "Look who's showing up by the time we started working." The whole crew saw Arthura and Baba Yaga had arrived to the scene where they had just begun working by the sea. "Um... Excuse us for a minute if you please." Said Baba Yaga. "But we have only come here to see what you men do here

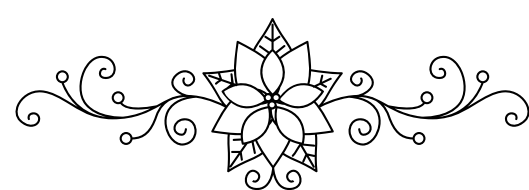
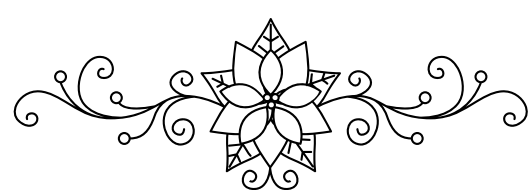


and how you do it." Then the crew turned to Schnee and gave him the opportunity to show them what it's like to be a loyal crew member of team and what life at the theme park and the beach is about, so he walked up to them with the fishing net remain folded in his arms. "Well, how nice to see you two again". He said cheerfully. "Sorry about this old fishing net which you don't want to see. I just managed to free the sea turtles out when they're trapped inside it." "Oh no worries my dear." Baba Yaga says. "You and your team are doing such a fine job out there what ever it is." "Hexactly." Replied Arthura. "Sometimes I feel bad for these sea creatures to be endangered. But that was so heroic of you, protecting them from being sick or injured and making this environment look pretty safe and clean." Schnee felt proud of himself and grateful to Arthura's compliment. "By the way," She continued. "Where is that Captain Joseph?" "We thought he would be there." "Well..."

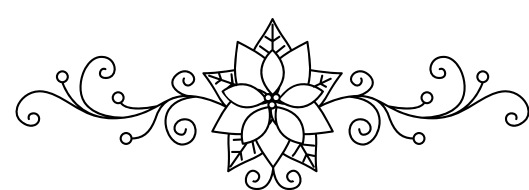
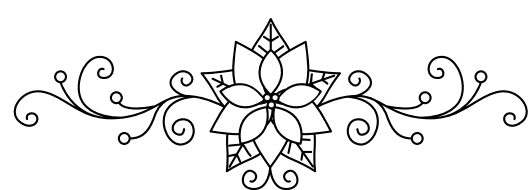
sure." Replied Schnee as he also thought the same thing of where Joseph maybe at right now. "Where ever he could be, I'm sure he is enjoying himself while doing a whole lot of sea weeding. In fact, there's a whole lot of seaweed that been swept away from the sea and I'm sure he's gonna love that one." "Well would you look at all of this." Arthura said. "And I mean all of these huge piles of green seaweed, scattered everywhere around the entire beach. And what reason do they use the seaweed for and why?" "Now that is a good question." Schnee answered. "And the answer to the question will be provided by our beloved leader himself." "Your leader?" Baba Yaga asked. "Um... don't you mean...?" "Yes, ma'am." Schnee interrupted. "And... I do think he's bound to give you two a helluva surprise." "A surprise?" Arthura asked. She and Baba Yaga became concerned with Schnee as they sense something suspicious going on with him. "Now, young man."



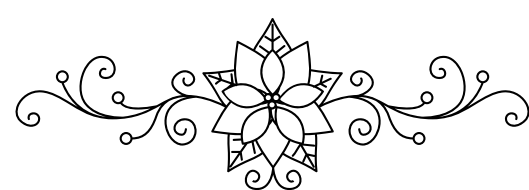
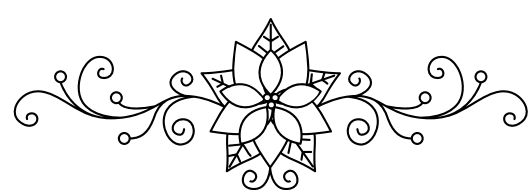
Said Baba Yaga sternly. "Are you playing some kind of game with us or anything?" Schnee squirmed with honesty. "Oh no, not at all! It really is a surprise alright. So you two might wanna be careful because I have a feeling that surprise you're about to see will be..." Before Schnee could even finish, there he saw of what came behind Arthura and Baba Yaga was a loud "Ahem!" It was Joseph, who then chuckled when he almost made both Baba Yaga and Arthura Grimm jump right out of their skin. "Ha, ha! You ladies really felt for that one, didn't you?" Joseph laughed. Poor Arthura didn't like that joke at all and Baba Yaga was disappointed. "Oh, that good ol' Captain." Finished Schnee, as he felt quite amused that Joseph gave them two a fright of their lives. "Now, is that supposed to be that necessarily funny like that?" Asked Baba Yaga severely. Joseph, showing no sense of embarrassment just grinned at them. "Oh it's called 'banter' my dear darlings. So try and



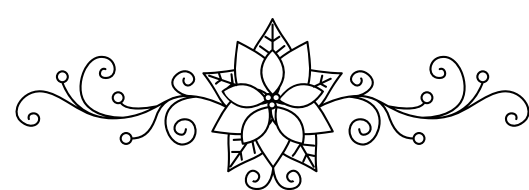
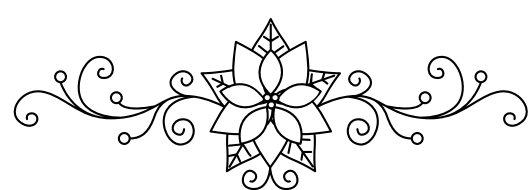
have a sense of humor if you please." "Yes, thank you for the most unlikely surprise, Captain." Said Arthura. "That has made me feel quite uncomfortable when something bad happens to me like that." "So do I, my dear." Replied Baba Yaga. "But now that he is here, maybe he shall show us what they do with all this seaweed and what is used for. What do you think?" Arthura liked the idea Baba Yaga had come up with. "That's sounds great, Miss Yaga." She agreed. And so did Joseph, even though he had never once did a tour with two visitors from Ever After High before. "Very well. Then let's do this!" He chortled. And he guided Arthura and Baba Yaga along side Schnee, who had reported him about freeing the sea turtles out from that fishing net which pleases him and his crew as they worked. "Look at the sea and everywhere around you." He began. "Everything we see where the light shines from the heavens reflects in the sea and touches our homeland. Well... as in my



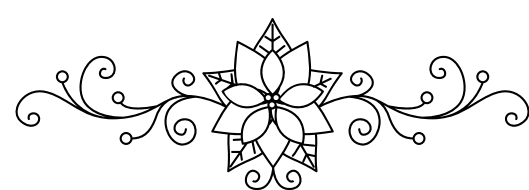
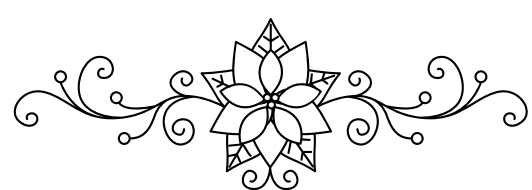
homeland usually when I began to put this small deserted island in construction, in order to transform it into a paradise. A place where I had my own house built with the lighthouse behind it as a castle, where I can signal and the boats at sea and speak to the gulls to give a message to them and receive one from them." Arthura and Baba Yaga were amazed of what Joseph had said as he continued his story. "And speaking of Ever After High, a boarding school which you all attend and work there to become either Royal or Rebel. I remember when I was a teenager years ago. I attended to the school to get a full education and not only that, but also had to follow my own path as a long journey to find a way to figure out who I am and who or what I really wanted to be." Baba Yaga can see Joseph's face fell with concern, as if he is facing everything and anything that depends on his future. Then she remembered something she had once worked with the past students at Ever After



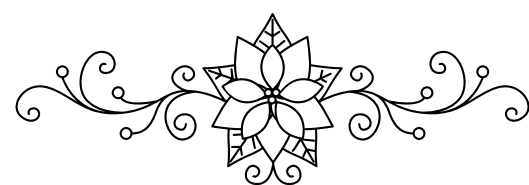
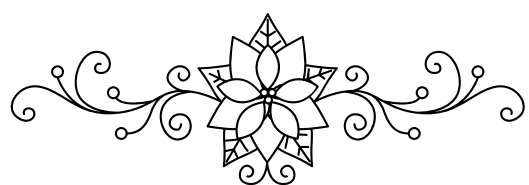
High, including Captain Joseph, who she knew in a long time. "Aha." She said in agreement. "Now I remember you, young man. You really had attended to our school as one of our past students. Am I correct?" "Correction." Joseph replied. "Even I knew you back in those days from the past few years ago along with us as young students and teachers who we support each other in classes, both in and out of the boarding school, learning a lot of new things in our favorite subjects." "Ooh." Arthura said as she was willing to ask Joseph about his favorite subjects, so she continued on with her observation. "What are your favorite subjects hexactly? Miss Yaga and I would love it to hear it." Captain Joseph agreed to answer Arthura's question. "Well I'm glad you asked my dear." He said. "So here's what I have in mind. In my years for being at Ever After High, I do enjoy learning new things, but there are some subjects which I had chosen would help me fit right in this school.



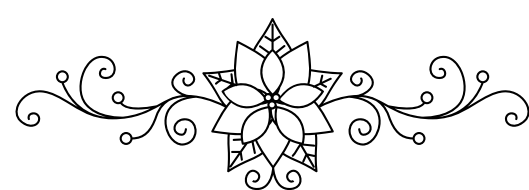
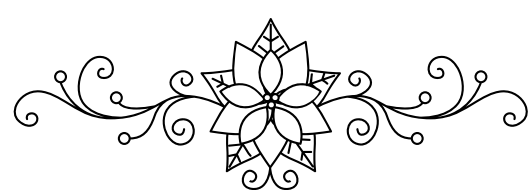
Some of the important subjects I studied, like Advanced Allusions, Arts and Craft, Castle Design, Anger Magicment, Castle Design, Chemythstry, Drama, Good Magic Mastery and most of all, Debate. And they are, of what I believe in, are the powerful subjects of them all." "How interesting." Replied Baba Yaga as she even remembers the good old days with Joseph and the past students who she and the other stuff used to work with. "You certainly had achieved everything you earned to be a successful person in the whole world of fairy tales." Even Arthura agreed. "Well." She said. "As much as I hate to bring this up, but I wish I joined with today's students in classes at Ever After High, but mostly at times I am a private student at my father's office. And it feels so lonely in there, especially without a best friend forever after." "Oh, how it is to hear." Said Schnee in his own manners within such curiosity. "But still, I feel so sorry to hear that because neither did I had any



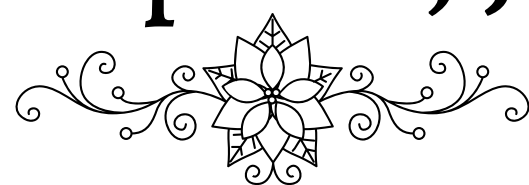
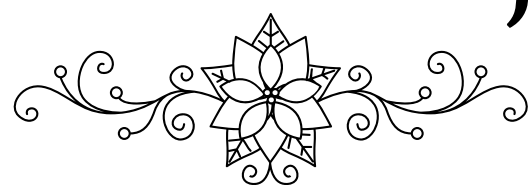
friends of my own once I left my old home, far far away to find a place where I could fit there. But now, I found my place here, with Captain Joseph and his crewmates, at Adventure Island, a amusement park in a shore that's not too far away from Ever After High. And your place is there, where you fit right in. Just like we fit right into ours. Ain't that right, Captain?" "Aye, yes! Of course we all do." The young captain agreed. "I'm sure you made some great new friends there who I believe they're enjoying new rides and attractions to keep them well entertained. Besides, I am most proud to be a captain and owner of this theme park. It is the only place where my people and I must protect from those who maybe intruders, who may also arrive to our shore WITHOUT warning." Baba Yaga and Arthura were surprised to hear Joseph strict words coming out of his mouth. But to Schnee, he clearly understood Joseph's fear of something terrible would happen to his own



amusement park and was determined to do whatever it takes to prevent any trouble to happen. "Oh dear." Said Baba Yaga who she and Arthura are starting to worry. "I wonder why is that?" Joseph, feeling just a little under pressure right now decided to put in further details as much as possible. "Because my dear, most of us may have came from various birthplaces, especially when it depends on our futures of what it will bring us. And for me, I may still have a family from my home, but I haven't seen them in a long LONG time. And that's why I must stay strong while waiting to see them once more, in order to make a heart-warming reunion. So that way, I would be much better, even when it comes to most family reunions. I always wait for them, no matter what happens. And to tell you more of the hexact same truth, and even as it is a fun place to visit, we as a whole crew must keep this entire theme park safe at all times from anybody who dares to try and make

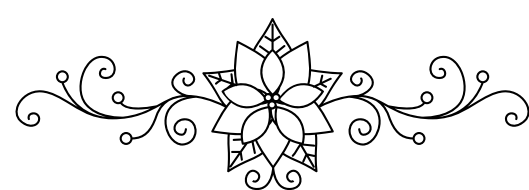
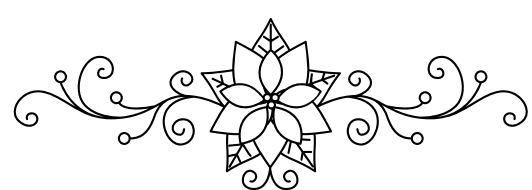


trouble out there would be banished from the amusement park... FOREVER AFTER." Arthura Grimm and Baba Yaga paused for a fairy moment like statues, as if Joseph had made them looked stunned while he is making a point of view to them. "Um... do you two understand of what I hexplained about?" He asked. "Oh, y-yes. of course." Arthura stuttered. "Oh my, I have to say you do sound quite scarier on the inside as I thought," Baba Yaga replied. "But as long as you told enough of the truth then we understand you fairy clearly. Right?" "Well aye be!" Joseph chortled. "I say if it weren't for my strict words of wisdom, I would've made one of you to walk the plank. Haha!" "Oh Captain, please. Don't say that!" Cried Arthura. "You know how I feel when those words of yours can be so mean." "Oh don't worry about him," Schnee replied. "Surely, he is being quite sarcastic today. Even we have our own sarcasm. Wouldn't you agree with that, Captain?" And the young captain did agreed. Full of joy and pride, Joseph is



determined to show Miss Baba Yaga and Arthura Grimm around the shore and the rest of his pirate-tastic amusement park. "Right!" He called out to his two visitors. "All set and ready to move on." And Joseph and Schnee lead Baba Yaga and Arthura Grimm and the crew across the coastal and continued on their tour while cleaning up the litter and showed their two visitors all the way to the amusement park. Even Schnee who is enjoying guide tour so far, was starting to have a vision as he walked on. In his own vision while everyone was taking a stroll through the beach towards the deep end of Adventure Island, Schnee can see of what only reminds him is a path filled with snow, trees and a big white view where the mountains are far away across the distance. Then he looked down at the snow beneath his feet and piled it up on the palm of his hands. As he did, he closed his eyes and blew the pile of snow off from his hands, as if he is making a wish. Then a voice boomed from not far saying

And Schnee was alerted to whoever's voice that called him. It was the elegant Captain Joseph. "Come along my boy." He called. "Stop playing with sand and keep up with us. Or shall I say... Hook up! Haha! You get that? Ha?" The crew laughed at the joke the young captain had come up. And so did Schnee, but his laughter was quite soft and quiet. And when he looked at his hands, it turns out it wasn't a pile of snow. It was actually a pile of sand he picked up from the far of end seashore from Adventure Island. "Right..." He sighed. "Oh well, still we got a whole day ahead of us." So Schnee carried on without a further worry along with Joseph and the entire pirate crew, all the way from the end of the coastal to the rest of Adventure Island on the other side.



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